



**Gravel Does Double Duty**—The annual spring cleaning of winter-borne sand and gravel collected at the Dallas city park swimming pool is being mounded by Clint Brown, operating a Polk county dozer. The recovered gravel is being used by the county to repair and improve roads such as that on Levens street, below, where the street is being rebuilt to 24 feet width to provide access to the new school building which will be located on the property now occupied by the residence and grove. The street will serve the new school when completed and also residents of the growing Ellendale section. (Photos by Abel, Dallas.)

## ECA to Favor U.S. Lumber

Washington, April 30 (AP)—The economic cooperation administration said today that in the future U. S. lumber companies will have a chance to compete for the business of supplying recovery timber to Europe.

In a new policy change, announced in letters to senators and congressmen from the Pacific lumber states of Washington and Oregon, Deputy ECA Administrator Howard Bruce said the new policy applies to purchases of both lumber and plywood. He defined the policy thus:

"In the future ECA will request all participating countries desiring to purchase lumber or lumber products for dollars to afford the United States lumber industry an opportunity to compete for the business."

He said that before ECA authorizes any lumber purchases for an ERP nation it will find out what they intend to purchase, why any country other than the U. S. is named as the source, whether bidders were furnished definite specifications, and whether firm bids were sought and obtained from the U. S. lumber industry.

Bruce said that ECA policy on non-dollar purchases will be guided by the factors of whether the purchases are from the cheapest source. Where circumstances justify paying higher prices than are obtainable in the United States, justification for such action will be considered, Bruce said.



**Flee Advancing Communist**—Refugees loaded with belongings they can carry block the streets of Shanghai. The Chinese are fleeing as Communist armies advance toward China's largest city. (AP Wirephoto via radio from Shanghai)

## McGarity to Talk on Docks

D. J. McGarity, general manager and secretary of the Portland commission of public docks, will speak at the Chamber of Commerce Monday on the meaning of port traffic to Oregon and the Pacific northwest.

Forty years ago Captain McGarity shipped as an ordinary seaman for the Goodrich Steamship company on the Great Lakes. He became successively second mate, chief mate and master, and by 1928 had become general superintendent in charge of all operations of the company which had a fleet of 16 large passenger and cargo vessels.

He served in the navy during World War I with a full commander's commission. In 1942 he was appointed port director for the office of defense transportation for the Pacific northwest with headquarters in Portland. In 1944 he became associate director in charge of all ODT port operations on the west coast with headquarters in San Francisco and received a presidential citation for ODT work.

New members to be introduced

## Former Salemite Sues Simplot for \$16,350

Salt Lake City, April 30 (AP)—A former Salemite, Ore., chemical engineer is suing the J. R. Simplot company for \$16,350 on a charge the firm broke a verbal contract.

Sidney Nesher filed the suit in federal district court. He said he left his Salem job, came here and brought a home because of a verbal agreement with J. R. Simplot of Boise.

The agreement was to place him in charge of conversion of the former Kalumite plant here to a fertilizer plant to be operated by Simplot, Nesher said. Later he was to take charge of plant operations, he continued.

He asserted the company failed to comply, and he lost pay, moving costs and damage to his professional reputation.

## East Salem People Greet Many Guests During Week

East Salem, April 30—Several homes have had guests this past week in East Salem communities.

In the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Rahtz in Auburn district were Mrs. Bertha Stueve and Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Purcell of Napa, California. Mrs. Stueve is the mother of Mrs. Rahtz and Mr. Purcell her brother. On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Rahtz entertained in their honor with Mr. and Mrs. George Maske and Rae Ann; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Purcell and son, Richard; Mr. and Mrs. William Massey and Mr. and Mrs. Trevel Massey, Cheryl and Christine and the honored guests present. Mr. Purcell and Mrs. Stueve will also visit in the E. J. Purcell home on South State street.

## 'Spring Tonic' Theme Of Annual Stag Party

"Spring Tonic" is the theme of the annual Capital Post No. 9 stag party to be held Monday night in the quarters of South Commercial, according to Charles Huggins, commander, who has extended an invitation to all Legionnaires in the vicinity with a 1949 membership card.

Festivities will begin at 8:30 with a buffet-style dinner and free refreshments and "smokes." Varied activities will be held during the evening climaxed with an imported stage show from Portland.

## McKay Urged to Sign Old Age Bill

Portland, April 30 (AP)—The state public welfare commission wants Governor McKay to sign the legislature's old-age pension bill.

It may lead to \$50 monthly pensions, commissioners said here yesterday in a regular meeting.

At the least, the bill will allow payment of pensions larger than the current \$47 monthly average, commissioners said. What they expect to be most helpful is a provision giving the commission first claim on the estate of a pensioner. This should cut down the number of pensioners, bringing about higher payments to those remaining, commissioners said.

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## Salem Heights School Notes

By PAUL HARVEY III

In the fifth grade Jerry Carlton gave a report on Bombay, India, and Gerald White gave a report on Calcutta, India. Julian Thurston reported on June.

Mrs. Denhem's fifth grade is doing finger painting with several colors in art.

Ronald and Jeanine Coulter have left our school. Ronald is in the fifth grade and Jeanine in the third.

The eighth grade had charge of the bulletin board last week. The eighth grade will have their graduation pictures taken April 28. Graduation is June 1.

Mrs. Vivian Hoenig, rural school supervisor, visited our school April 26.

Mrs. Anderson's seventh grade is marking portfolios to be covered with finger paint paper and then lacquered.

Cub Scout Pack 19 met last Friday in the community hall. Marion Miller showed movies.

The seventh and eighth grades from this school beat Hayesville 14-9, while our fifth and sixth grades defeated a similar team 10-5. Both seven-inning contests were played last Thursday.

The seventh and eighth grades from our school beat the fifth and sixth grades from this school 8-4 in a seven-inning contest last Friday.

There have been few pupils absent in Mrs. Boyer's fourth room. There is little sickness in the school.

Jesse Krater won fourth as healthiest boy in Marion county. The eighth grade had the achievement test Tuesday.

The school has the following important dates in May: Mother's tea, May 18; Play day, May 13; Music festival, May 6; holiday, May 30; in June: graduation, June 1, and school lets out June 3.

The sixth grade went through the paper mill as a reward for winning the demerit contest for last month.

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## Canby Legion Post Occupies Band Hall

Aurora—Sale of the old Canby band hall to the Canby American Legion post by the Canby volunteer fire department was completed during the past week for actual signing of the papers.

Roller skating on the dance floor started this week under a concession by the Legion to Dorrance L. Hoots and Grayton Duggan, who operate a similar rink at Newberg and another at Scroggins Park, near Gaston.

The concessionaires announced that the rink will be open three nights a week, Monday, Wednesday and Saturday.

Commander James Bany said that the Legion will have its quarters and club rooms in the rear of the building, where kitchen facilities are available.

The hand hall was built by Frank Dodge in 1911.

The consideration for the sale was said to be in the neighborhood of \$5500, which includes some equipment which the firemen had installed.

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## Asks New Road Recreation Plans For Children

Amandon Frank, lumber operator up the Little North Fork of the Santiam discussed with the county court Friday morning a proposition of opening up a new road along that stream on the other side of the river for about seven miles from a point near the Ted Ferris mill to the Myers bridge this side of Elkhorn. While court members concurred that when the original survey was made the road was probably placed on the wrong side of the river as far as the grade was concerned it was too much of a project for county funds just now.

However, Frank said operators and residents up in the area were willing to give assistance and while it was agreed it was too big a project for one year that it should be gotten under way as a definite project and worked out over a period of years.

The matter was left tentatively on a basis that the people interested will place a proposal before the court as to just what they think they can do and see if some movement cannot be launched toward that end.

It wouldn't mean an abandonment of the road on this side of the river as there are still residents there but would put the main travel on the other side for the distance covered.

Frank pointed out there are a number of danger points on this side of the river where the road is sliding away or the mountains are threatening to slide onto the road.

Working actively on the project in behalf of the club are Mrs. Sam C. Campbell, Mrs. E. E. Woodson and Mrs. Ralph Atwood.

It is proposed that swings, merry-go-rounds and slides be installed at the two selected areas this summer, and eventually to extend the facilities to five other areas—Kay park, Pringle park, and the playgrounds at 22nd and Lee, 15th and Mill, and South High and Myers streets.

The clubs have made quite a study of the actual need of recreation for the smaller children, and believe that a total of 7500 who would use the facilities is about the correct figure.

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